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## Profile: Carr Creek High School

Some people credit Carr Creek, a small high school from Knott County, with giving statewide significance to the state championship tournament.

In 1928, Carr Creek went all the way to the championship game before losing the title after four overtimes to Ashland's Paul Blazer High School. The game still is the longest and second-lowest scoring (13 to 11) championship game on the books.

Carr Creek won over the people of Kentucky that year because it was a small school overcoming adversity (no gymnasium, no uniforms, isolated in the mountains) to play basketball.

Twenty-eight years later, Carr Creek took home the championship title in 1956 with a 72 to 68 win over Henderson City. In the semifinals, it knocked out tournament favorite Wayland High School, with high-scorer "King" Kelly Coleman.



The phenomenal 1928 Carr Creek team. (Photo courtesy of the Herald-Leader, KYphotoArchive.com.)